# **Historical Background:**

Wheatland is located at the gateway of California's "Mother Lode" gold rush country and has a vast and colorful history. The survivors of the ill-fated Donner party were brought to the Johnson Ranch which was the first settlement reached in California by wagon trains using the Donner trail. The ranch was part of the Don Pablo Gutierrez land grant of 1844 sold in 1845 to William Johnson. A section of the ranch was set aside as government reserve. Camp Far West in 1849 and the town of Wheatland was laid out of a portion of the grant in 1866. (Historical Maker # 493 Johnson's Ranch, Tomita Park, Front St.) In 1888, Edward P. Duplex was elected Mayor, the first black man to be elected Mayor of a Western United States City. His original shop stands today on Main Street. One of the earliest labor disputes in the history of the United States occurred at the Durst ranch, on August 3,1913 when I.W.W. workers rebelled against a hop grower resulting in the deaths of two workers. (Historical Marker # 1003 Durst Hop Ranch, Intersection of A Street and 6th Street.)

Note: For more details of Wheatland historical events and places please pick up the "Wheatland Historical Walking Tour" pamphlet at Wheatland City Hall. This pamphlet was researched and written by the Wheatland Historical Society.

> County - Yuba Total Area - 1.5 Sq. Miles Elevation- 92 feet. Population- 3,437 **ZIP code –** 95692 Area code- 530

Educational Facilities:
Wheatland Elementary School
Address: 111 Hooper Street
Phone: 530-633-3140

Bear River Middle School:
Address: 100 Wheatland Park Rd
Phone: 530-633-3135

Wheatland High School:
Address: 1010 Wheatland Road
Phone: 530-633-3100

Wheatland School District:
Address: 204 Main Street
Phone: 530-633-3130

In The Wheatland Area:
Beale Air Force Base
Sleep Train Amphitheater
Bishop Pumpkin Farm
Camp Fire West Lake

Political Representatives:
In the state legislature Wheatland is located in the 4th Senate District, represented by Republican Jim Nielsen and in the 3rd Assembly District, represented by Republican Dan Logue
Federally, Wheatland is located in
California's 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional district, and is represented by Democrat John
Garamenti

Climate:
Wheatland has a Mediterranean climate, which are mild, wet winters and hot dry, summers. The wet season starts from mid-October and ends in mid-April. January is usually the wettest month with the average annual rainfall around 24 inches. January is usually the coldest month and July is the driest and hottest. The winter average high

usually the coldest month and July is the driest and hottest. The winter average high temperature is 41 F and the summer average high temperatures over 100° F not unusual.

### **Fire Department:**

313 Main Street Wheatland, CA 95692 Phone: Call 911

### **Police Department:**

207 Main Street Wheatland, CA 95692 530-633-2821 or 911

### **Postal Services:**

Address: 404 4th Street Wheatland CA 95692 Phone: 530-633-4003

# **City Hall:**

Address: 111 " C" St Wheatland CA 95692 Phone: 530-633-2761

# **Public Works Department:**

Address: 208 4th Street Wheatland, CA 95692 Phone: 530-633-2785 or 530-633-0926

## **Parks & Recreation:**

Address: 208 4th Street Wheatland, CA 95692 Phone: 530-633-2785